Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Monday 18 Oct 2021 until 23:59 on Tuesday 19 Oct 2021

Forecast Issued on Monday 18 Oct 2021 at 04:07 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for unsettled conditions and poor visibility over the coming days. High also for a colder spell to develop from Thursday. There is some uncertainty in the details for Wednesday.

Headline for Monday 18 Oct 2021: Dull and foggy with rain soon arriving. Increasingly windy at height.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 18 Oct 2021

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Medium Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
FOG				MIST	
Fog	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Mist	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
20%	50%	80%	60%	40%	20%

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Weather: Poor visibility will be a large feature of the day with any fleeting breaks confined to the northern foothills of the Nevis and Glen Coe ranges. Rain will spread northeastwards from mid morning to give all ranges a few hours of wet weather, but as this clears away north through evening it will leave extensively foggy and drizzly conditions.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10% across the far north, otherwise virtually no chance.

Visibility: Widely limited to a few hundred meters above the cloud base which will sit at around 400-600m, through much of the day. Rain and drizzle will turn lower slopes and glens rather hazy.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	26/32 SE	38/46 SE	46/57 SE	40/51 S	37/47 SW	34/45 SW	35/45 SW
900	20/25 S	27/35 SE	31/41 SE	28/38 S	28/38 SW	26/35 SW	25/35 SW
600	17/20 S	31/38 SE	44/54 SE	38/47 S	34/43 SW	31/41 SW	31/40 SW
300	13/17 SE	15/24 SE	24/36 SE	19/29 S	18/29 SW	14/23 S	14/24 SW
Glen	6/14 SE	3/13 SE	13/30 SE	14/29 S	12/25 SW	11/24 SW	12/24 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	6/1	6/-1	6/-1	7/1	7/2	7/1	7/1
900	7/3	8/3	8/3	10/5	10/5	9/4	9/5
600	12/9	12/7	12/6	12/7	11/7	11/6	11/7
300	12/10	12/10	12/9	14/10	13/10	13/10	13/11
Glen	13/12	13/13	14/12	16/13	15/13	14/12	14/12
Freezing Level*	2500m	2800m	3200m	2600m	2600m	2500m	2300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Strong winds will approach gale force above munro level from late morning. This, along with rain and drizzle will give a significant cooling effect.

Forecast for Tuesday 19 Oct 2021
Weather: Southerly winds will maintain cloudy, dull conditions across all ranges although some early brightness may develop across northern Lochaber. Outbreaks of heavy rain spread northeast through morning with a good chance of heavy showers and perhaps thunderstorms into the afternoon and evening. Mild.

Maximum wind: South 20-30mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20%.

Visibility: Thick cloud persisting above 600m across all but the more sheltered northern areas, but cloud will become increasingly extensive above around 400m through evening across all ranges. Heavy rain will affect visibility in the glens, obscuring neighbouring slopes.

Temperature: **Glens:** 14 Celsius.
At 800m: Around plus 9 Celsius.
Freezing level: Well above summits.

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